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BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

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MOTION OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE FOR LATE ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSE TO INTERROGATORY OF THE ALLIANCE OF NONPROFIT MAILERS (ANM/USPS-28) (February 18, 1998)

The Postal Service respectfully asks its response to the above-captioned interrogatory be accepted one day out of time. As the Postal Service has indicated in its pleadings regarding the subject matter of this discovery request, the information it seeks draws upon a number of functional areas within the Postal Service, and coordinating the response to the interrogatory has proven unusually challenging. This afternoon, the undersigned counsel is delivering a copy of this response by facsimile

to counsel for the Alliance of Nonprofit Mailers, in order to mitigate any prejudice that this delay may have caused.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

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